

September 26, 1988

TO: Minerals File
FROM: D. Wayne Hedberg, Reclamation Hydrologist *DWH*
RE: St. George Mining Company, Apex Mine, M/053/004, Washington County, Utah

On September 16, 1988 Division staff members, Holland Shepherd, Scott Johnson and Wayne Hedberg attempted to visit the Apex Mine site. The purpose of the site visit was to familiarize Scott Johnson and Wayne Hedberg, who have never been to the mine site, with the facilities and the extent of surface disturbance associated with the operation.

We stopped in at the mill site and visited with Mr. John Morgan prior to our intended inspection of the actual mine site. Mr. Morgan has been assigned the caretaker in charge of the mill and mine site maintenance. Mr. Morgan indicated that he preferred that we did not go out to the mine site because he could not accompany us and was concerned with company liability. He indicated there had been some recent road washouts due to the severe rainfall which occurred within the last week or so.

Mr. Morgan stated that Hecla Mining Company is currently evaluating the mining property and may be making a decision to purchase the site in the very near future. He indicated that Colleen Kelly was the Hecla representative in charge of the ongoing site evaluation work. We informed Mr. Morgan that we would abide by his recommendations and postpone our site inspection until our next scheduled field trip. We also indicated we would update our files with his correct phone number and call him prior to our next visit.

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cc: Lowell Braxton
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Field File
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